



ACORNEWS

ACORNS - Association of CORvair NutS
Rochester, NY - Corsa Chapter 148
November 2025 Newsletter

Pres Says by Brandon Carmo

Hello ACORNS!

Well well well, the snow is falling and the salt trucks are out. I am always a little sad when this happens, because it is officially the sign that I will likely be done driving classics around for a few months. Unless we get some rain to wash the roads off in between. Fingers crossed.

I've been working on welding in the trunk bottom I fabricated on my '67 coupe. It is now in and I've been doing some painting work on the underside to hopefully preserve the body a little better. I'm hoping to have some fuel filler neck hose from Clark's soon so I can put the gas tank back in. It seems that no one local has 1-3/8" I.D. fuel rated hose in the area. Or none that I could find anyway. Once that tank is back in, the car should be able to run! I look forward to having the Zimmerman car running again!

We have our November breakfast/dinner on the schedule for 11/15 at 9am. We will use our usual meeting place of Peppermints in Henrietta.

Due to the increase of spam communications coming from bad actors, we will be making some steps to tighten up the ship. I have established a new email address **acorns.rochester@gmail.com**. This will become our central communication port. If you receive any strange emails requesting financial help or gift cards, contact the member being portrayed by phone or some other means to verify that it is an authentic communication.

Keep your eyes peeled for a planning meeting announcement.

See you all soon and
be well,

-Brandon



From the VP's Desk:

Hello All,

Another summer and car season has passed, and it seems like they get shorter and shorted each year. As I mentioned last month, I think we had a decent year as a club, highlighted by the club's 50th anniversary picnic, held at Brandon's place (thanks again for hosting, Brandon!). We also had some good tech sessions, and a nice run down to Fred Marsh's place in September. George's clutch job went well, and Dick Gilbert's throwout bearing job is pretty much wrapped up, and his car is back home. Thanks again to George for the use of the lift at the RRPC! Don't forget that we have the last club breakfast of the year on Saturday, 11/15, at 9am at Peppermints. Hope to see you there! I am hoping you all enjoy the holidays, and I hope to see you at the planning meeting in January! Cheers!

Mark

Treasurer's Report

Steady as she goes for the club funds. We had two members pay dues in October, so we are off to a decent start. As I mentioned previously, please get your dues in as promptly as possible, it will be greatly appreciated. Please have a safe and enjoyable holiday season!

Existing members will pay the full \$12 for the year. You can write me a check, made out to me, Mark Webster, and I will cash it and deposit the funds into the club fund on your behalf, or you can Venmo me the dues and I will do the same. My address is

Mark Webster
607 Winona Blvd
Rochester, NY 14617

Venmo me at:
@mwebby-1964

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| Club funds going in to October: | \$846.65 |
| Two members dues: | - \$24.00 |
| Income: | \$0.00 |

Club funds as of 11/9/2025: \$870.55

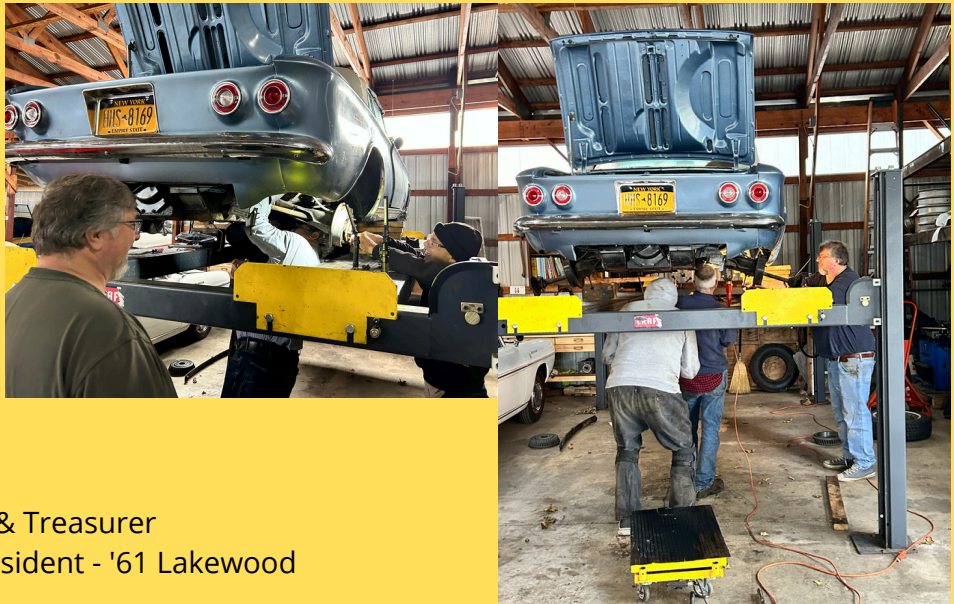
We also still have \$95.00 in the special funds money.

ACORN October Activity Report

Several days through the month:
Dick Gilbert throw out bearing tech session

ACORNers attending:

- Dave Ellis
- Dave Pulhamus
- Dick Gilbert
- Paul Rader
- Mark Webster - V. P. & Treasurer
- Brandon Carmo - President - '61 Lakewood



Dick Gilbert needed a hand with the replacement of his throw out bearing on his 64' convertible coupe. This was further good practice in dropping the Corvair engine and separating the engine from the transaxle. This procedure took place over 3 or 4 sessions and after a great effort, the job was completed. The convertible was brought back to Dick toward the end of October, allowing it to get cozy and bundled up for winter.

See the attached photos.
submitted by Brandon Carmo

Meeting Minutes

Old Business

No Meeting

New Business

No Meeting



2025 ACORN CALENDAR

November 15: Year-end breakfast at Peppermints.

NOTE: If you have something you want to do to maintain or repair or just have questions about your Corvair, contact us! You don't have to wait for a date on the calendar above.

Car Nuts Breakfast: A group of car nuts meets for breakfast the second Thursday of the month at Bay Front Restaurant, 1075 Empire Blvd. Some of our members have attended, including me. You'll be with about 40 other car nuts. You know what that means: Talking about cars, of course! In good weather, it's almost like a mini car show in the parking lot too. It's a good time, so come on out!



Thursday, November 13, 9:30 at
The Bay Front Restaurant
1075 Empire Boulevard, Rochester
(585) 482-2247

Not an official club event, but a casual meeting of car enthusiasts. Join in if you have the time, want a good, no-frills breakfast and enjoy plenty of car talk. No RSVP needed, just show up, the Bay Front has room to find seating....and LOTS of parking!! hope to see you soon!...Annabelle

Next one should be 12/11!

ACORN OFFICERS

President/Editor: Brandon Carmo
Vice President/Treasurer: Mark Webster
Secretary: Jim Bartasevich
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Webmaster: Marissa Andolino

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From the editor...

I'm excited to have the opportunity to work on the ACORNews! I am looking for tech article suggestions, as well as listings for parts or cars for sale. I am also interested in photos of member cars, ACORN outings, or photos and descriptions of any project car updates or new acquisitions you may want to share.

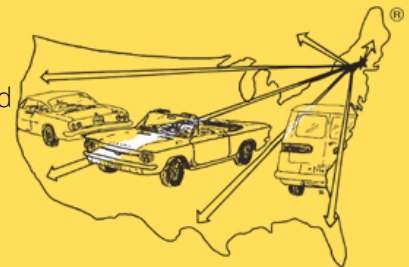
Submissions can be sent to bwcarmo@gmail.com

Thanks, Brandon Carmo

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PARTS SALES POLICY

We all know that there are Corvairs "out there" that are owned by people who do not belong to CORSA or ACORN. It was agreed and voted on to make our parts supply available only to our members.

Here are the specifics:

If a non-member contacts us for parts, we'll politely explain our policy and ask if he or she would like to become a member.

NOS parts will be sold at a 50% discount from Clark's prices.

Used parts will be sold cheaply!

FOR SALE

140hp Series II Convertible Corvair for sale, needs starter

Contact Will Seymour for details/pricing: 585-281-1706,

wseymour@rochester.rr.com



180 Turbo Engine for sale

call Jim Mruk 585-889-4587 for details

Parts include:

- Block I0420RL complete w/crank & cam
- Turbo housing complete 3856709
- 180 Distributor 1110329
- Intake crossover
- Set of 110 heads 3878566
- Turbo head 3856762
- Carter YH carb
- Air cleaner housing
- Misc. brackets & Tubing
- Series 2 Engine sheet metal parts

Dean LoBrutto has some parts that he is looking to move along.

Shoot him an email if you're interested.

Contact him at 585-899-0867 or dean_afs@yahoo.com

Nice set of dog dish hubcaps for Vairs: \$80



Wanted to buy: 140 hp Corvair engine for Stinger replica project

Contact: Scott Banner
email: Bighobbies@aol.com
phone: 585-507-3045



AVAILABLE PARTS FROM THE BARTASEVICH PARTS STASH

- ❖ 1 - FC 4 speed inst. cluster [it has the shift points on the speedo]
- ❖ 2 - FC glove box doors
- ❖ 1 - Early car glove box door [don't know the year]
- ❖ 1 - Late Delco AM push button radio
- ❖ 1 - Early [I think] Motorola AM push button radio [a button is broken]
- ❖ 1 - Corsa inst. cluster & glove box door [dusty]
- ❖ 1 - Corsa inst. cluster used as a parts donor
- ❖ 1 - Corsa air cleaner with carb cross-over
- ❖ 2 - Starters
- ❖ 1 - Alternator
- ❖ 2 - '65-'66 "A" pillar interior trim
- ❖ 1 - NAPA Belden plug wire set [NOS?] but in the box for a while
- ❖ 1 - Late power convertible top switch & bracket
- ❖ 4 - Wiper/washer units
- ❖ 1 - Washer jug and bracket [rust on bracket]
- ❖ 1 - Washer bottle bracket [some rust]
- ❖ 6 - wiper arms
- ❖ 1 - NOS '65-'69 clutch rod
- ❖ 3 - Clark's C2754 rear wheel cyl. rebuilding kits
- ❖ 3 - Clark's C2745 front wheel cyl. rebuilding kits
- ❖ Multiple stainless steel headlight rings [they hold the headlight to the light unit]
- ❖ 1 - late headlight unit
- ❖ 1 - FC headlight unit
- ❖ 2 - magnesium cooling fans; 1 for a '64, 1 for '65-'69 [both have surface corrosion]
- ❖ 5 - Various oil coolers; low to high HP
- ❖ 2 - Front hubs [I think for an FC]
- ❖ 2 - Early rear car shocks, used but work okay
- ❖ 5 - Early & late gen. & alt./oil fill/oil filter castings
- ❖ Multiple fan idler pulleys
- ❖ 1 - '62 80 HP PG distributor
- ❖ 2 - '63 102 HP distributors
- ❖ 2 - '64-'68 110 HP distributors
- ❖ 1 - '69 95 PG distributor
- ❖ Multiple clamps for ignition coils
- ❖ Multiple '62 stop light lenses
- ❖ Multiple '65 stop light lenses
- ❖ Multiple '66-'69 stop light lenses

FOR SALE

ACORN PARTS SUPPLY

CONTACT: DAVE ELLIS: 585-503-9445, dellis1@rochester.rr.com

Fastener boxes now located at Mark Webster's shop containing items such as 1/4-20 bolts, top shroud bolts, distributor hold down brackets, u-joint keepers, and other specialty items

ACORN Parts Supply

AIR CLEANERS
ALTERNATORS
ARMRESTS
ASHTRAYS
AXLESHAFTS, SII
AXLE,RR,S1,BEARINGS,NOS
BALANCE TUBES
BUCKET SEATS
BUCK.SEAT-CHRM SIDE TRIM
COIL SPRINGS
CONV. TOP LATCHES
CYLINDER HEADS
DIFFERENTIALS
DISTRIBUTORS
DOOR HANDLS-EXTERIOR
ENGINE BLOCKS
ENG. LID SUPP.BRKT ASSY
ENG. SHEET METAL PCS
ENG. TOP COVERS, S.M.

Contact: Dave Ellis; 585-227-2439; dellis1@rochester.rr.com

EXH.C/O PIPE,84/95/110 NEW
EXH SYSTM,COMPL,USED,84-110
FASTENERS, ALL TYPES
FLYWHEEL RETAIN, RINGS, MAN.
FRT PNL EMBLM-1960 MODEL
FUEL PUMP RODS
FUEL PUMP RETAIN. BOLT ASY.
GLASS,ALL
GLOVE BOX DOORS
HEADLAMP BEZELS, S1&2
HEADLAMP/TURN SIGNAL, FRT
HEATER COMPONENTS
HORNS
HORN BUTTONS, STR COLMN
INSTR/DASH CLUSTERS,S1&2
INTAKE TUBES
INTERIOR TRIM PARTS
"JUGS" S1&S2 ???
LIFTERS, HYDR.

MOTOR MOUNTS, S1&S2
MOTOR MNT TO ENG BRKTS
OIL CLRS, SEVERAL TYPES
OIL FLTR/ALT MOUNT HSNGS
PISTONS W/CON RODS, SI&2-??
POWERGLIDE TRANS
RADIOS
STARTERS
TAILLIGHT/REAR -PARTS-S1&S2
THROTTLE LINKAGES 2 CARBI
TURBO EMBLEMS
VALVE CVR H.D. BRACKETS
VISORS,,,S1/2???
WHEEL COVERS- SERIES 1
WHEEL COVERS - SERIE 2
W.S. WSHR PARTS
WINDOW HNDLS, INTERIOR
WIPER ARMS, S1&2??

ACORN CLUB TOOL CRIB

All tools are currently available at Mark Webster's Shop, Contact Dave Ellis to coordinate.

Tools are signed out when the leave, and are signed back in when they are returned. "If you break it, you replace it"
Below are the tools available in the CRIB, as of 11/1/2018

-(3 Available)- Hot "Valve Lash Adjustment Valve Covers", have 6 holes in the appropriate places for socket access

-Coil Spring Compressors (pair)

-UNISYNC- Carb Balancing Tool

-(3 Available)- Series 1, AXLE York Removal Tools, you will need a MAPP gas torch,,,and a big hammer too,....

-Oil Pressure Tester, Oil Filter Bolt fitted with flexible tubing to an Oil Pressure Gage...great to check/assure oil pressure when first firing up a brand newly rebuilt motor.....

-Grease Gun Adapter- for greasing HD Universal Joints that have grease fittings in place...

-(2 Available)- Steering Wheel Pullers

-Harmonic Balancer Pulley Removal Tool...works with the engine in normal position,,,just remove the Oil Filter...

-Valve Guide Removal Punch

-Wire Brush Reamer - to clean out cross-drilled holes in Crankshaft during a rebuild -Differential Side Gear Adjuster tool

-Piston Ring(s) Compressor, used when installing a Piston/Con Rod Assy into Jug, then attaching con rod to crankshaft

-Fan Bearing Greasing Tool

-(2 Sets Avail.)-12 tubes-(Enough for one side of the Motor)- to hold JUGS in place whilst installing Piston/Com Rod Assys into the jugs, and bolting up the connecting rod cap around the appropriate Crankshaft Journal...VERY helpful!!!



Membership Application

Corvair Society of America

Founded in 1969 by and for those who appreciate the Corvair automobile
P.O. Box 68, Long Lake, Minnesota 55356 USA (603) 403-5010
Web site: www.corvair.org Email: corcluboffice@gmail.com

☐ New Member ☐ Renewal

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Street Address or Post Office Box _____

City (Primary) _____ State or Province _____

Country _____ Postal Code _____

Telephone Number _____ Email Address _____

Please select your membership option by checking the appropriate box. For donations, specify the \$ amount.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 12-Month US Full Membership \$60 | <input type="checkbox"/> 12-Month Virtual Membership \$40 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 12-Month Canadian Full Membership \$75 | <input type="checkbox"/> CORSA Donation \$_____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 26-Month Canadian Full Membership \$150 | <input type="checkbox"/> Corvair Preservation Fund Donation. \$_____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 12-Month Paper Outside US & Canada \$80 | <input type="checkbox"/> Corvair Racing Fund Donation \$_____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 26-Month Paper Outside US & Canada \$160 | |

Full Membership benefits include access to the members-only area of our website, online and mailed versions of our magazine, (the *CORSA Communique*), and the right to attend our Annual International Convention. There may be a four-to-six-week delay before you receive your first magazine by mail.

Virtual Membership includes all the benefits of Full Membership, except the *CORSA Communique* is available only online. The virtual membership price is the same worldwide. All prices are in US funds.

Chapters. CORSA has over 100 chapters throughout the world. We encourage membership in our local chapters. However, there is no requirement for you to do so.

☐ Do NOT contact a CORSA chapter on my behalf. I already belong to CORSA Chapter # _____

Roster. Member information is available on the website so members can reach out to each other. It is never sold. You have the option to exclude your information from other members.

☐ Do NOT include my contact information in the membership roster.

If paying by credit card: ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Amex ☐ Discover (fill-in account # below)

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Association of Corvair Nuts
APPLICATION for MEMBERSHIP to JOIN ACORN
"A C O R N" is CHAPTER #148 of the
CORVAIR SOCIETY OF AMERICA" (CORSa)



DATE: _____

NAME: _____ (MEMBER)

NAME: _____ (SPOUSE/SIGNIFICANT OTHER, CHILDREN, etc.)

ADDRESS: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS(ES): _____

(ACORN^{ews}, the club's monthly newsletter will be sent via email unless requested otherwise.)

PHONE #s: HOME _____ WORK _____
[optional] _____ CELL _____

ANNUAL DUES FOR ACORN MEMBERSHIP IS \$12, DUE IN JANUARY.
AFTER JANUARY, DUES ARE REDUCED BY \$1 A MONTH
FIRST TIME MEMBERS/FAMILIES ARE FREE FOR THE FIRST YEAR!

Please make checks or money orders payable to:

**Mark Webster
607 Winona Blvd
Rochester, NY 14617**

IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO BE A MEMBER OF CORSa TO BE A MEMBER OF THE ACORNS.
HOWEVER, IF YOU ARE A MEMBER OF CORSa, PLEASE CHECK HERE: _____ IF NOT, WE CAN
PROVIDE AN APPLICATION FOR CORSa.

PLEASE, TELL US ABOUT YOUR CORVAIR(S)

| YEAR HP | MODEL TRANSMISSION | BODY STYLE | ENGINE |
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ANY OTHER HOBBIES OR INTERESTS YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE?

 **SAVE THE DATE!** 



The 2026 CORSA Convention is being presented by four clubs:

- Mid-Maryland Corvair Club
- Central Pennsylvania Corvair Club
- Group Corvair
- Northern Virginia Corvairs

We hope that you will join us for what is gearing up to be the biggest and best convention to be held on the East Coast! Come join in the fun and the history of Gettysburg- tour the battlefields, take a ghost tour, and dine at historic restaurants!

You can even visit wineries, tour car museums, and even spend time at the world-famous Hershey chocolate factory and the fun-filled HersheyPark.

Like the country life? Gettysburg is a short hour drive from the heart of the Amish communities in Lancaster PA where you'll find fantastic dining and shopping.



What's the schedule of events? Take a look at what we have planned:

- Monday, June 22nd: Welcome Party
- Tuesday, June 23rd: Concourse
- Wednesday, June 24th: Road Rally
- Thursday, June 25th: Autocross
- Friday, June 26th: Econo-Run
- Friday, June 26th: Banquet and Awards



Tours, technical sessions, and other fun and exciting activities and events are in the works!

Mark your calendars and start planning to

"See You There in Your 'Vair!"

